formulate action plan to remove deficiencies and provide amenities at a scale as warranted, by the volume of traffic dealt with at the stations. Instructions have also been given to the Railways to take up major stations for identifying and providing passenger amenities at the level required, in a substantial measure, so as to make an appreciable impact upon the users.

World Bank loan for procurement of rolling stock

7848. SHRI AHMED MOHMEDBHAI PATEL:
SHRI SURESH PACHOURI:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the World Bank is considering to provide a loan worth Rs. 186 crores to the Indian Railways for procurement of rolling stock;

(b) if so, whether in addition, the railways have sought Bank's assistance for the electrification and computerisation programmes as well;

(c) whether the WB has also agreed to provide funds as sought by the railways;

(d) if so, by when the WB is clearing the loan to the railways; and

(e) whether any concrete programme has been formulated in this regard if so, the details thereof?;

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI C.K. JAFFER SHARIEF): (a) and (b) No, Sir.

(c) to (e) Do not arise.

Offers from foreign investors for the Scheme 'Own Your Own Wagon'

7849. SHRI AHMED MOHMEDBHAI PATEL:
SHRI SURESH PACHOURI:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether RAILWAYS have received a number of offers from the foreign investors in the Scheme "Own Your Own Wagon";

(b) if so, whether most of the companies are negotiating with Railways to have captive wagon fleet;

(c) whether Railways have considered the offers made by the foreign investors in this regard;

(d) whether Railways have decided to procure only 18000 Wagons against its requirtement of 24,000 wagons durng 1994-95;

(e) whether this gap of 6,000 wagons is being bridged through private investment; and

(f) if so, by when a final agreement in this regard is likely to be reached?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI C.K. JAFFER SHARIEF): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

(d) No, Sir.

(e) and (f) Do not arise.

Procurement programme of Passenger Coaches

7850. SHRIMATI KAMLA SINHA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Railways have decided to slash down wagon procurement programme;

(b) whether it is a fact that the Railways is also going to scale down orders for passenger Coaches;

(c) whether it is a fact that these decisions would adversely affect the coach manufacturing industry including Bharat Wagon Ltd.;

(d) whether it is a fact that these decision would also adversely affect freight and passenger movement; and

(e) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS